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Written statement* submitted by the Association for Defending Victims of Terrorism, a non-governmental organization in special consultative status

The Secretary-General has received the following written statement, which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Justice and Reparation as a Guarantee for Preventing Repetition of Crime

The lack of a balanced order at international arena and inadequate living conditions in human communities and discrimination, injustice, and foreign interference in the internal affairs of states have led to extremism, violence and terrorism. As a result, it increases insecurity, instability and massacre of thousands of innocent people all over the world, whom we know as victims of terrorism.

Given that victims of terror always seek a peaceful life with tolerance, its primary condition is the exercise of transitional justice, by means of which the issue of reparation and administering justice may become operational and the society may move towards stability and peace.

Association for the Defending Victims of Terrorism would like to hold an international conference on "Transitional Justice and Victims of Terrorism" in cooperation with international academic centers and independent journals in order to explain the issue, and then present the scientific achievements to the Special Rapporteur on the promotion of truth, justice, reparation and guarantees of non-recurrence so that they can be distributed to states and human rights bodies.

To promote the supportive measures for victim of terrorism and provide effective litigation and compensatory measures for victims of terrorism, ADVT calls on the Special Rapporteur to consider the issue of investigating violations of the rights of victims and survivors of terrorist acts, responding to victims' complaints, prosecuting and punishing the perpetrators of terrorist acts and their supporters. The Association recommends that these issues be taken into account in the next report of the mandate holder in order to ensure the non-recurrence of the crime and provide access to justice for the victims.